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Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator South Carolina Public Service Commission 101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

Re: Appeal for Non-Placarding Rights for Charleston Black Cab Company Docket No. 2009-45-T

Dear Mr. Terrini,

The above referenced petition filed by Charleston Black Cab requests a waiver of the placarding requirements of S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-153. The "London Black Cabs" operated by Charleston Black Cab do not meet the common definition of limousines which are exempt from the placarding requirements of Reg. 103-153. The Office of Regulatory Staff does not oppose Charleston Black Cab's request, however ORS requests that, should the Commission grant the requested waiver, that such waiver be limited to the Applicant Charleston Black Cab's "London Black Cabs" only and not to any other vehicles in the Applicant's fleet or to this type of vehicle generally. ORS believes that specific exemptions from the placarding requirements of Reg. 103-153 should be addressed by the Commission on a case by case basis and not appear to apply industry wide in any way.

If you have any questions or concerns in regards to this letter or the ORS position in regards to this application, please contact me at your convenience.

Yours Truly